February, 1986 and whether it is a resident visa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (PROF. K. K. TEWARI): (a) and (b) Particulars of residence in Switzerland concern a foreign Government. The passport however provides particulars of date of entry. These dates together with dates of exit reported by him as available in the records of Govt. of India are as follow:

27.2.86 to 28.2.86

25.6.86 to 3.7.86

8.7.86 to 15.7.86

20.7.86 to 24.7.86

10.9 86 to 30.9.86

2.10.86 to 13.12.86

18.1.87 to 29.3.87

26.4.87 to 8.7.87

(c) Shri Ajitabh Bachchan has been held to be a person resident outside India since 28.2.1986.

Visa of Shri Ajitabh Bachchan

726. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state which country's passport, visa and work-permit does Shri Ajitabh Bachchan hold and since when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (PROF. K. K. TEWARI): An Indian Passport was issued to Shri Ajitabh Bachchan by the Passport Office, Bombay on 3.6.1986. Information regarding visa and work permit concerns foreign governments.

Implementation of Pay Scales of School Teachers

727. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what were the clarifications issued on November 3, 1987 regarding the orders issued on 12th August, 1987 for implementation of the pay scales of school teachers working in the Union Territories and the Central Autonomous bodies; and

(b) what has been the response of various organisations of teachers thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) The clarifications issued on 3.11.1987 are at Annexure (See Appendix CXCVIII, Annexure No. 36) The various teachers Associations have been representing on a number of issues concerning the pay scales and related matters but no representation has been received by the Ministry specifically about the clarifications. Government decisions on relevant issues have been conveyed to Delhi Administration and Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan etc.

Losses of Hotel Corporation of India

728. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the total losses suffered by the Hotel Corporation of India and the yearly losses suffered in each of the last three years and the current year so far;

(b) what is Government's policy regarding this huge drain on public money; and

(c) in what manner the Corporation's performance compares with the Oberoi Group and the Taj Group of hotels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Hotel Corporation of India has suffered a total loss of Rs. 20.88 Crores upto 31.10.1988. The yearly net losses suf-

ferced during the last three years and the current year are as follows:—

	(Rs. in crores)
1985-86	4.06
1986-87	6.33
1987-88	4.73
1988-89 (upto 31-10-88)	3.00

(b) During the period 1982 to 1987, Hotel Corporation of India made an investment of Rs. 77.69 crores in the Delhi Srinagar and Juhu Beach hotel properties and Chefair flight kitchens at Bombay and Delhi. The losses of the Corporation are mainly on account of heavy interest and depreciation during the gestation period of the investment. The Company earned a gross operating profit of Rs. 1.30 crores during 1985-86, Rs. 1.89 crores during 1986-87, Rs. 5.86 crores during 1987-88 and 3.29 crores during 1988-89 still October 31, 1988.

(c) Both the Taj and Oberoi hotel chains are well established and older chains of hotels compared to HCI. They have much larger number of hotel properties and higher revenue as compared to HCI.

Complaints Against the E F. O.(power) Northern Railway

729. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:
SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been numerous complaints against the E.F.O. (Power), Northern Railway, New Delhi and E.F.O. Power, Central Hospital of Northern Railway, New Delhi for delaying the payments of small contractors deliberately;

(b) whether some Members of Parliament have also written to Government in this regard;

(c) if so, what action has been taken on these complaints;

(d) what is the total number of cases where payments have not been made for more than six months by the said authorities from the date of submission of bills by small contractors; and

(e) whether any enquiry for delaying the payments has been ordered; if so, what is the number of officers who have been transferred or are likely to be transferred on this account?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No Sir.

(b) Letters from three Hon'ble Members of Parliament were received by the Minister of State for Railways.

(c) The complaints were enquired into and no action was considered necessary.

(d) Two bills are lying unpaid due to unsatisfactory work carried out by one contractor.

(e) After enquiry, no action was considered necessary.

Death of Indian in plane accident in Bangkok

730. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the deails of the eleven Indians, including the Indian Ambassador to Vietnam and some members of his family killed in a plane crash in Bangkok on the 9th September, 1988;

(b) what are the details of the incident;

(c) what was the cause of the accident; and

(d) what are the details of compensation and other relief provided to the dependents of deceased by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) The details are: